CITY OF SALINA

NATIONAL CITIZEN SURVEY 2006 Report of Results





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SURVEY BACKGROUND

- ➤ Collaborative effort between National Research Center, Inc. and the International City/County Managers Association
- Standardization of survey and administration to assure high quality and comparable results
- Random selection of households
- Household member to complete the survey is selected without bias

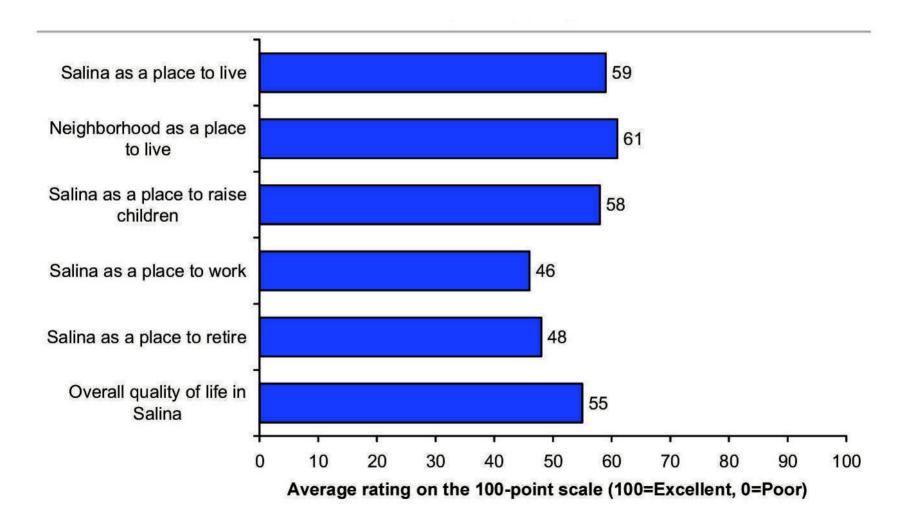
SURVEY ADMINISTRATION

- ➤ Mailed to random sample of 1,200 households
- >45 non-deliverable
- ➤ 503 responses received for a 40% response rate
- ➤ Typical response rate of citizen surveys range from 25% to 40%

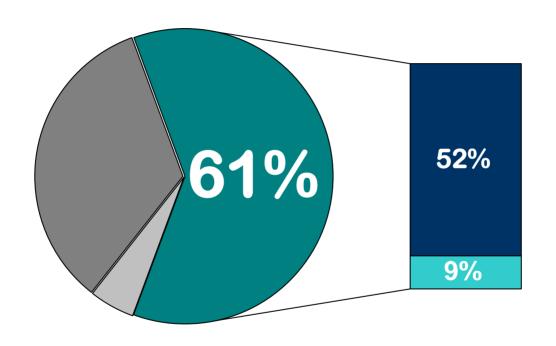
USE OF 100 POINT SCALE

- Many survey questions were asked on an "Excellent" "Good" "Fair" "Poor" scale (EGFP)
- Responses are then summarized on a 100 point scale
 - If all responses were an "Excellent" rating, the result would be 100
 - If all responses were a "Poor" rating, the result would be 0
 - If all responses were a "Good" rating, the result would be 67
 - If all responses were a "Fair" rating, the result would be 33
- The 100 point scale averages all responses

QUALITY OF LIFE RATINGS



OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE





■ FAIR

■ GOOD

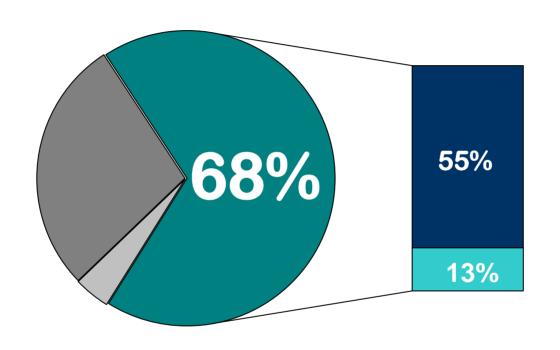
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How do you rate Salina as a place to live?







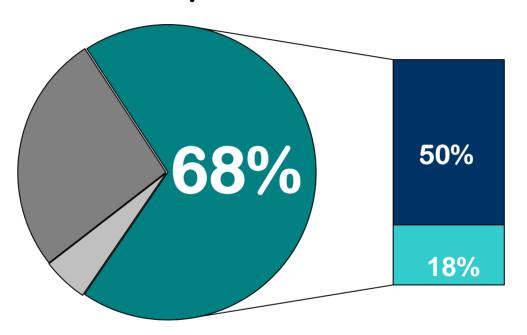


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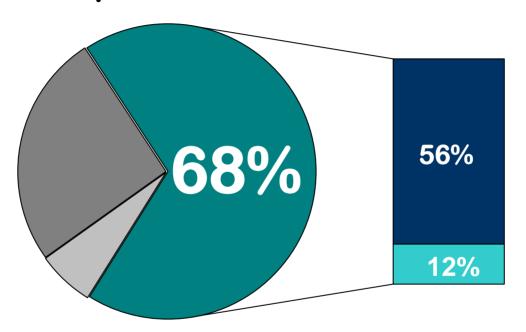
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How do you rate your neighborhood as a place to live?



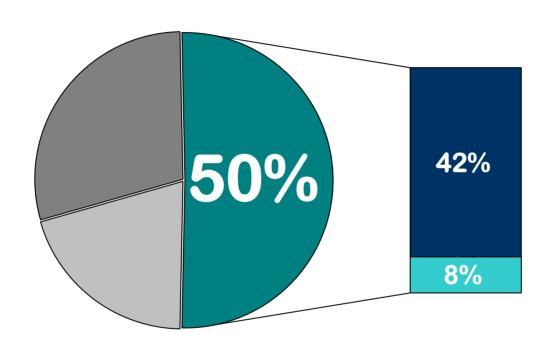


How do you rate Salina as a place to raise children?





How do you rate Salina as a place to work?





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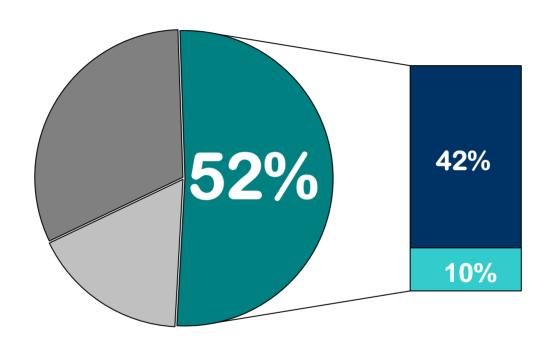
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How do you rate Salina as a place to retire?





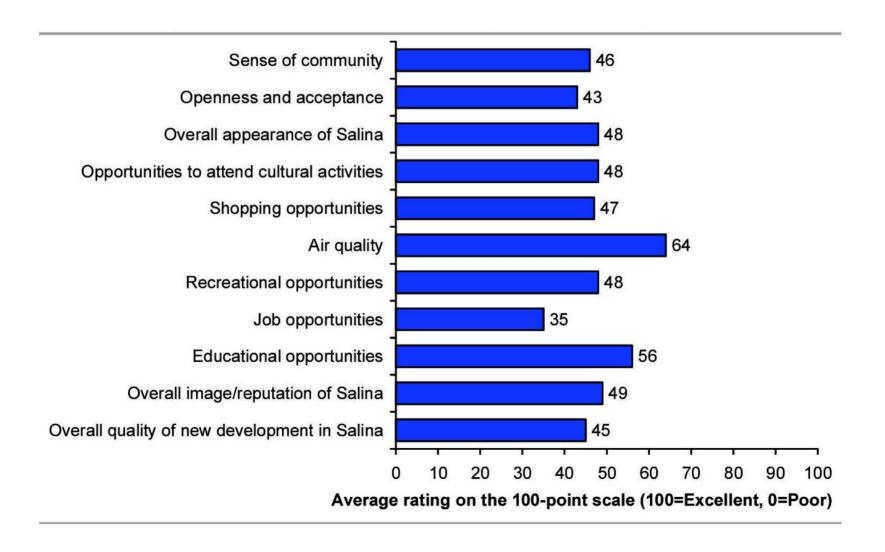




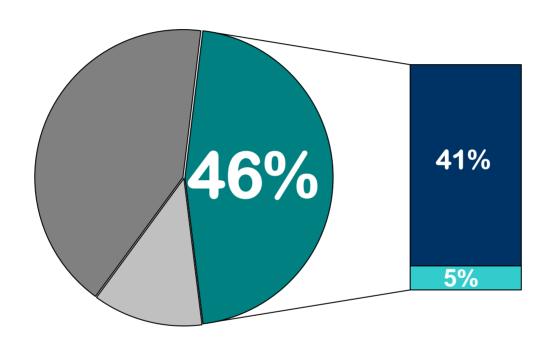
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Sense of Community





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■ GOOD

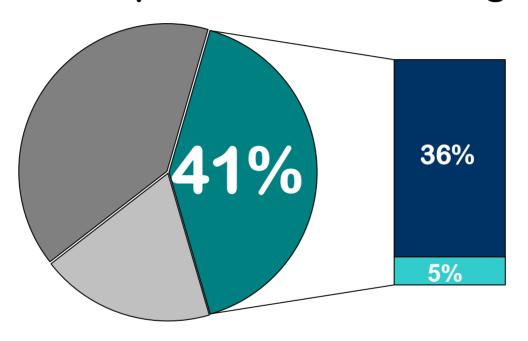
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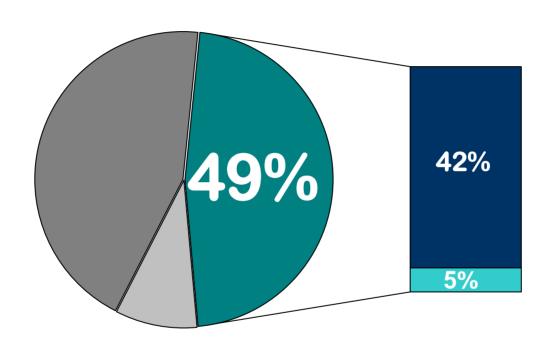
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Openness and Acceptance of the Community Towards People of Diverse Backgrounds





Overall Appearance of Salina





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■ GOOD

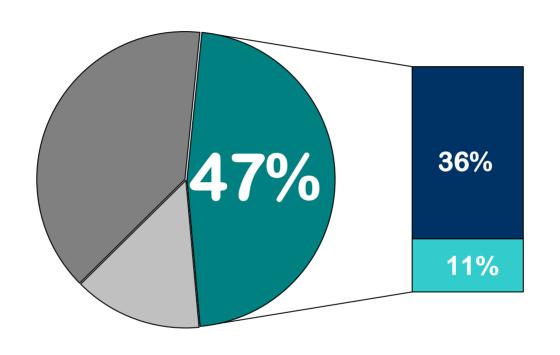
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Opportunities to Attend Cultural Activities





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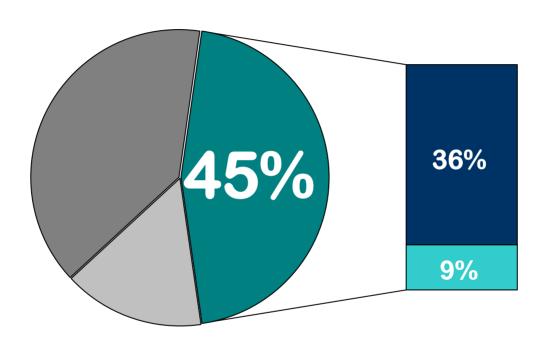
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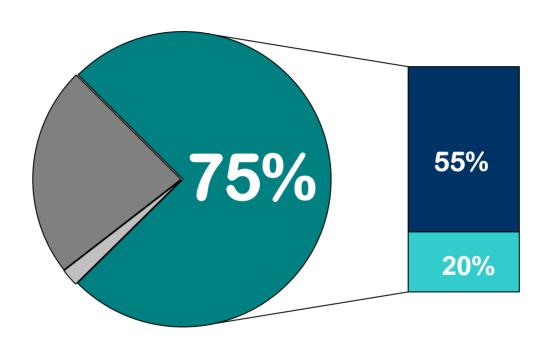
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Shopping Opportunities





Air Quality





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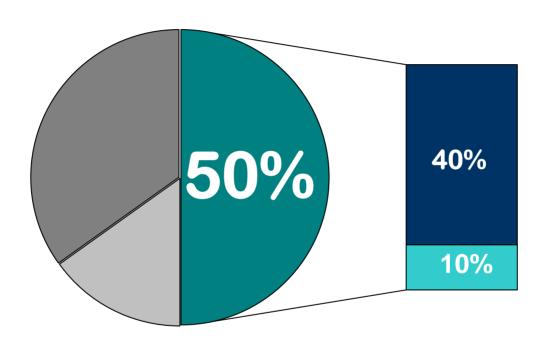
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Recreational Opportunities





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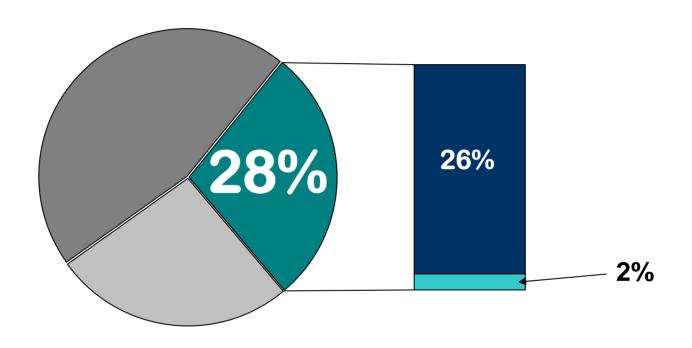
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Job Opportunities





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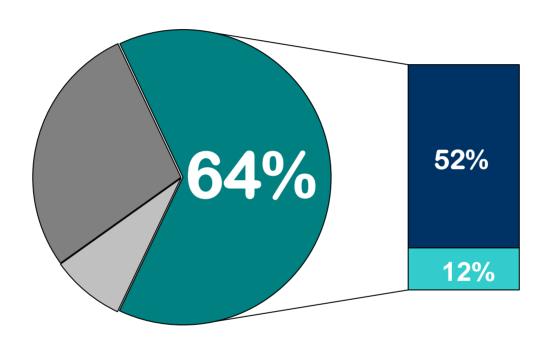
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Educational Opportunities





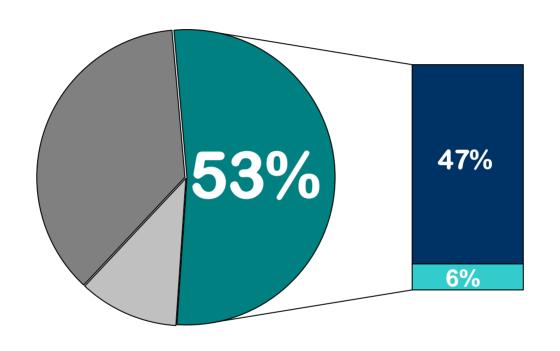


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Overall Image/Reputation of Salina







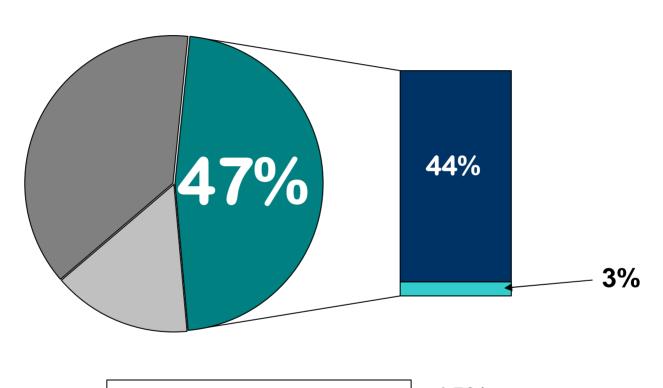


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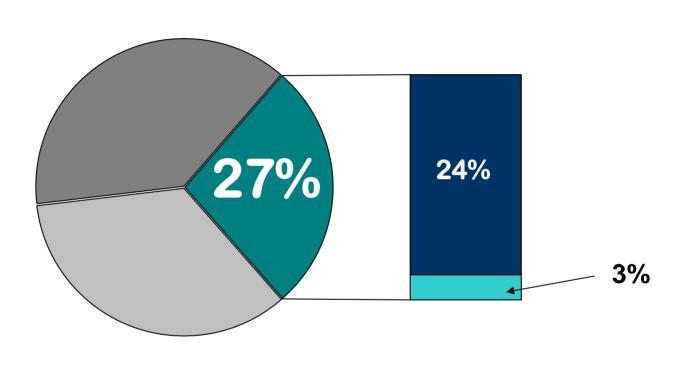
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Overall Quality of New Development in Salina



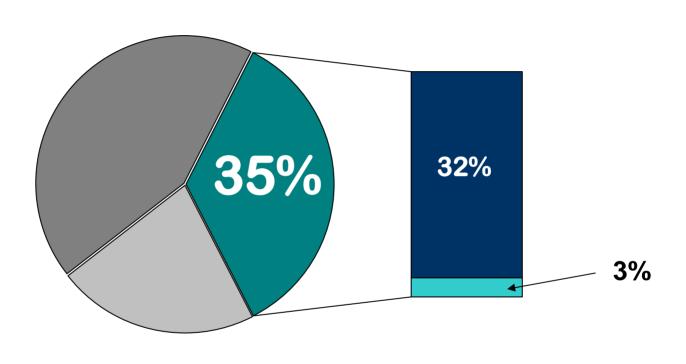


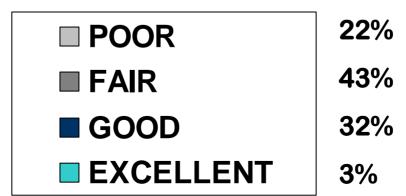
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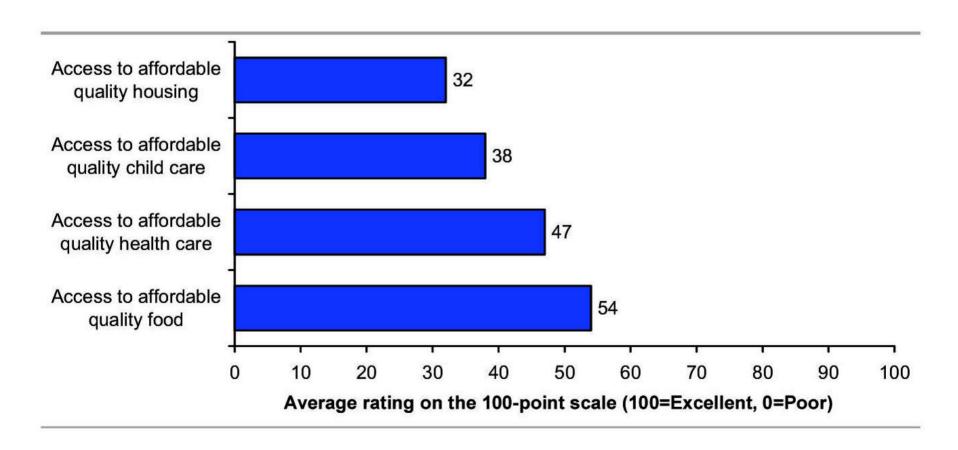


Access to Affordable Quality Child Care

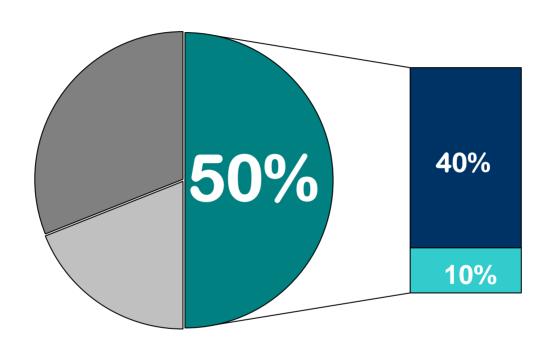




Access



Access to Affordable Quality Health Care





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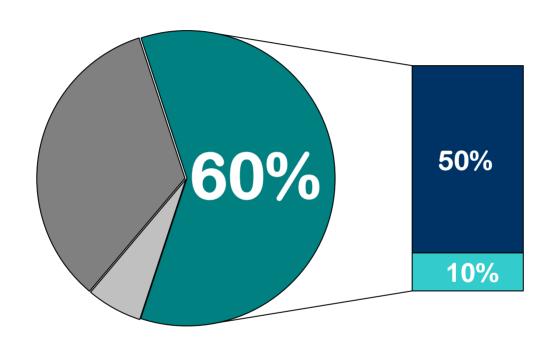
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Access to Affordable Quality Food







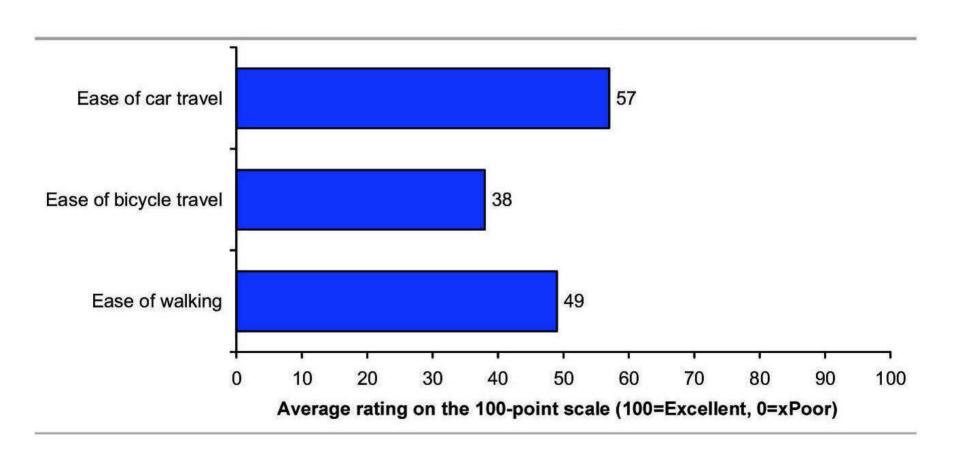


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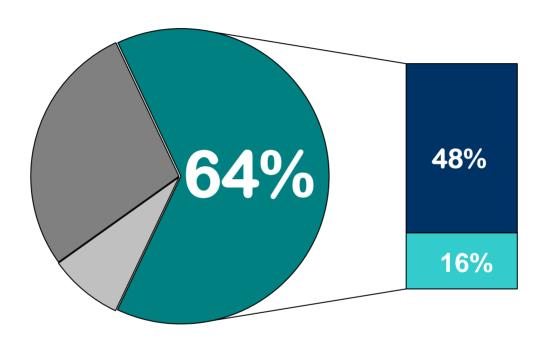
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COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS Mobility



Ease of Car Travel





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■ GOOD

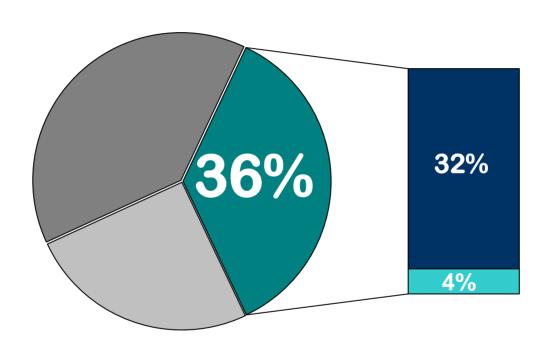
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Ease of Bicycle Travel in Salina







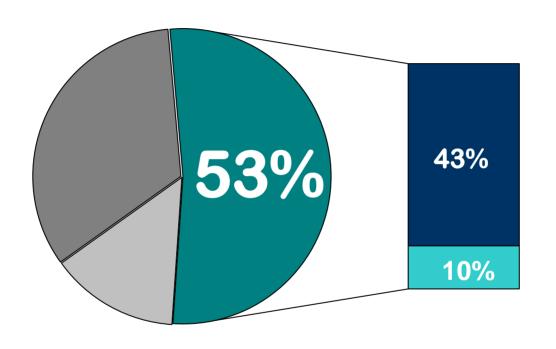


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Ease of Walking in Salina







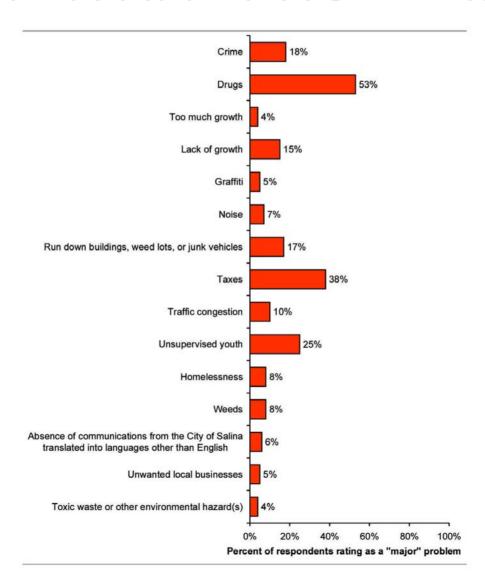


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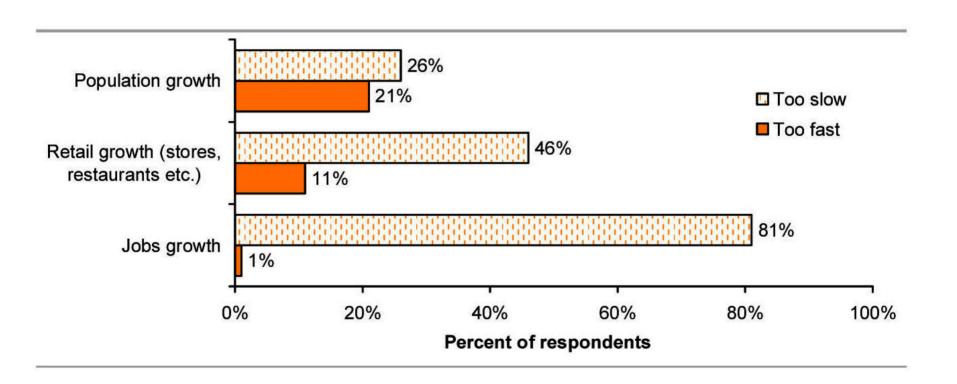
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RATINGS OF POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

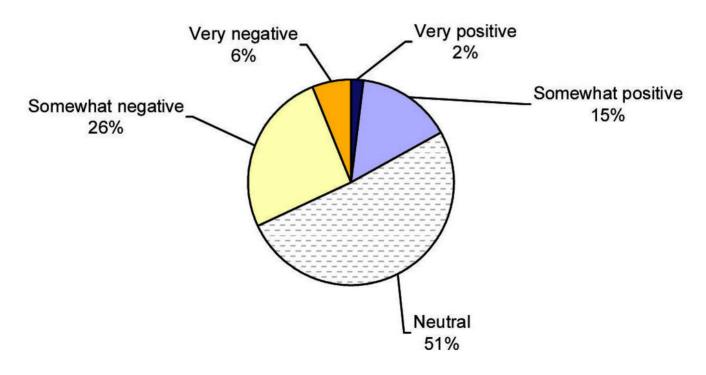


RATINGS OF GROWTH

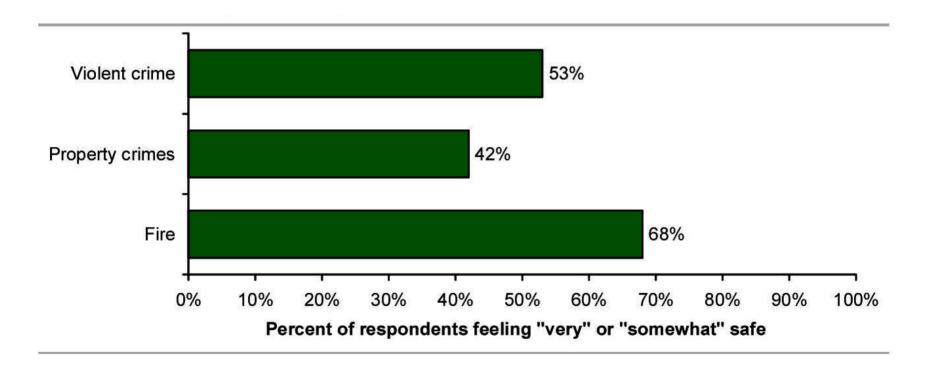


PERCEPTIONS OF ECONOMY

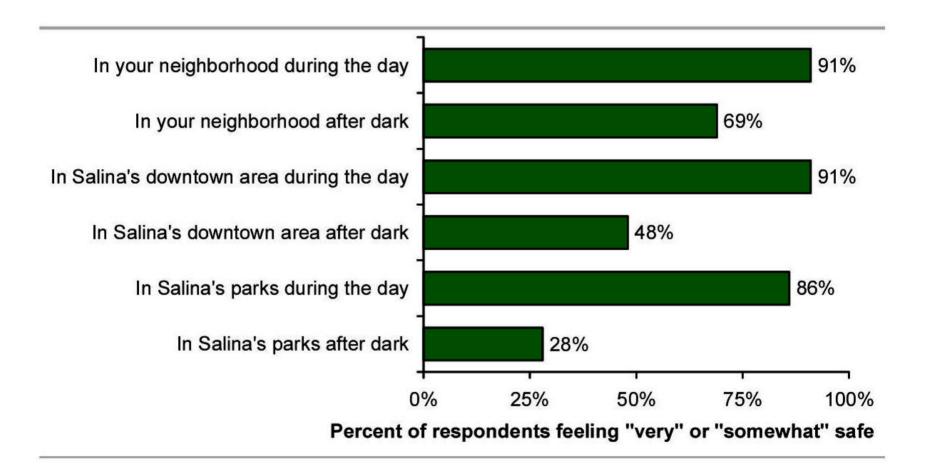
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be...



RATINGS OF SAFETY FROM VARIOUS PROBLEMS



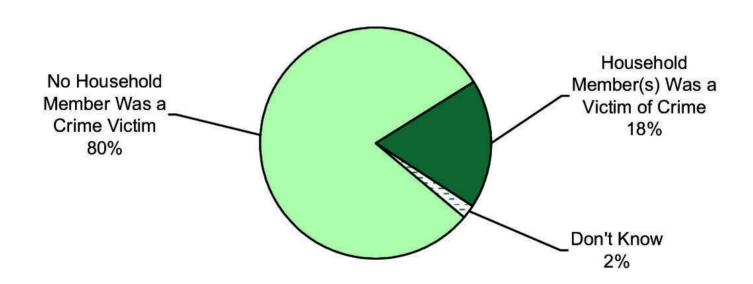
RATINGS OF SAFETY IN VARIOUS AREAS



RATINGS OF SAFETY

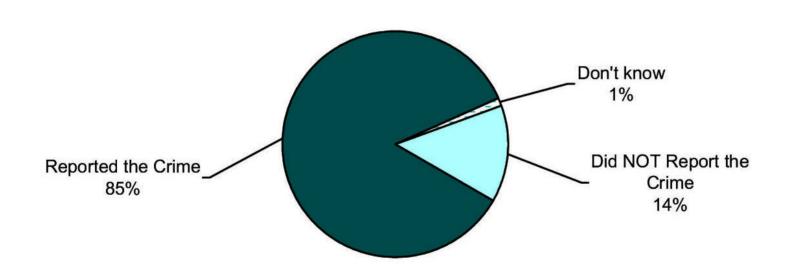
Percent of Respondents' Households That Were Victim of a Crime in the Last 12

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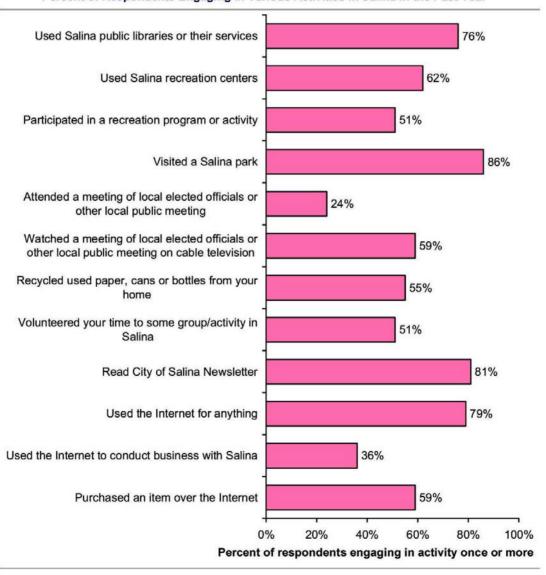
RATINGS OF SAFETY

Percent of Respondents' Households That Were Victim of a Crime Who Reported the Crime

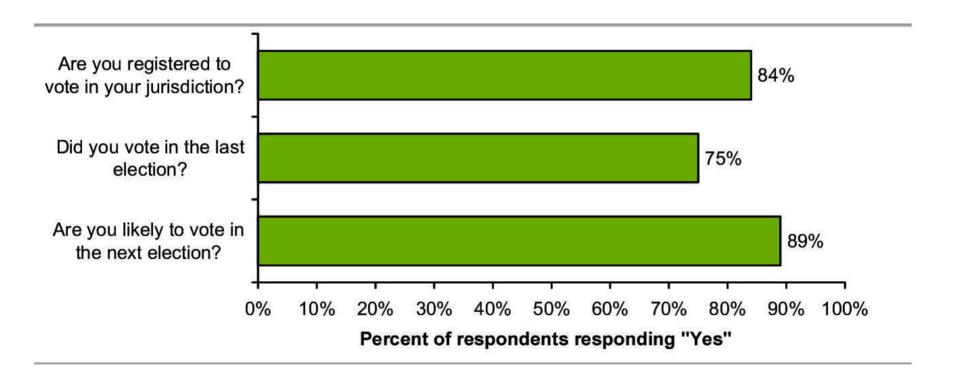


COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

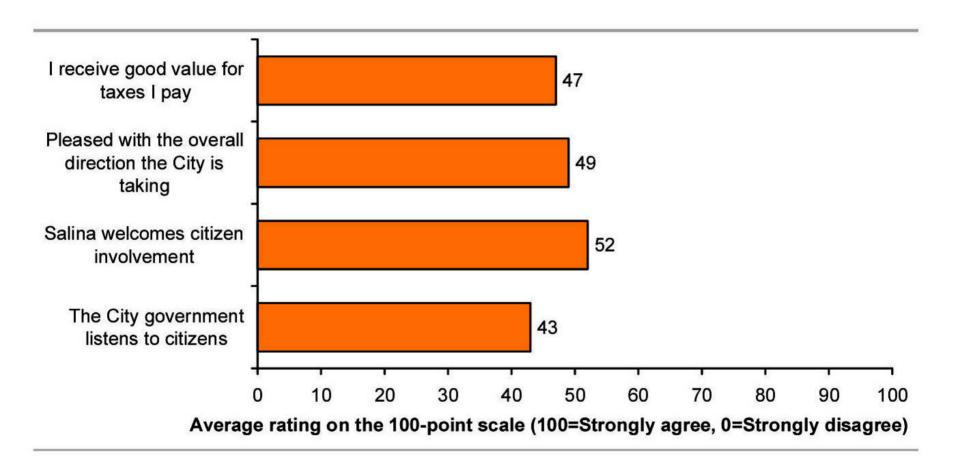
Percent of Respondents Engaging in Various Activities in Salina in the Past Year



VOTER STATUS & ACTIVITY

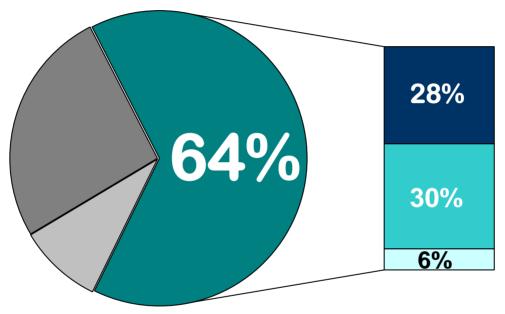


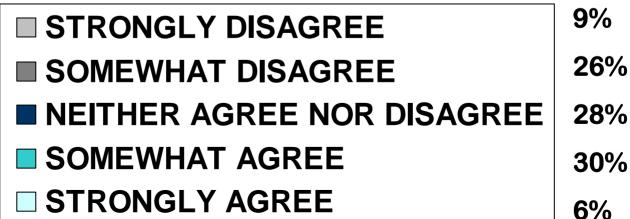
RATINGS OF PUBLIC TRUST



PUBLIC TRUST

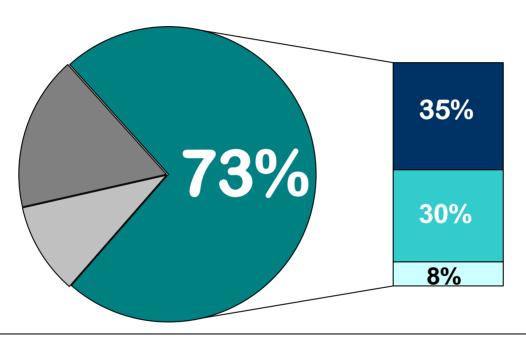
I am pleased with the overall direction that the City of Salina is taking





PUBLIC TRUST

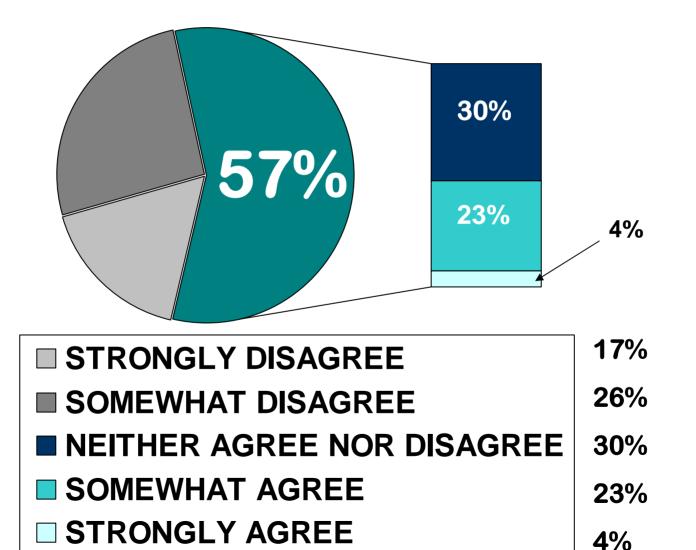
The City of Salina government welcomes citizen involvement



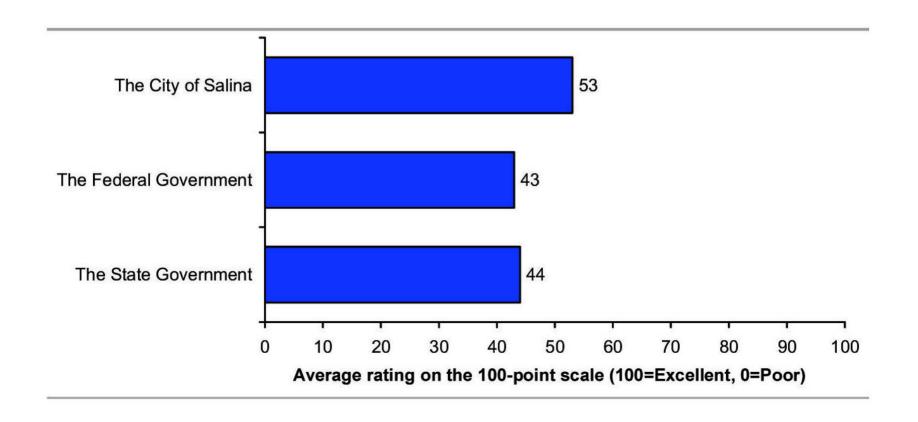
■ STRONGLY DISAGREE	10%
■ SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	17%
■ NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	35%
■ SOMEWHAT AGREE	30%
■ STRONGLY AGREE	8%

PUBLIC TRUST

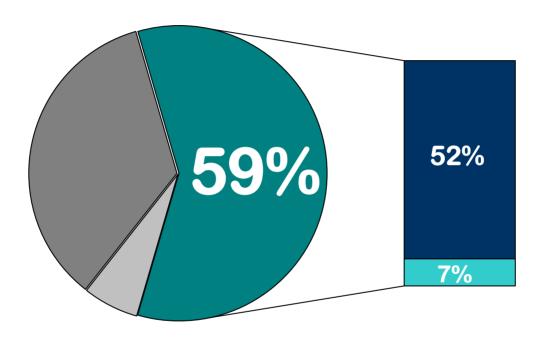
The City of Salina government listens to citizens



OVERALL QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVIDED BY VARIOUS LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

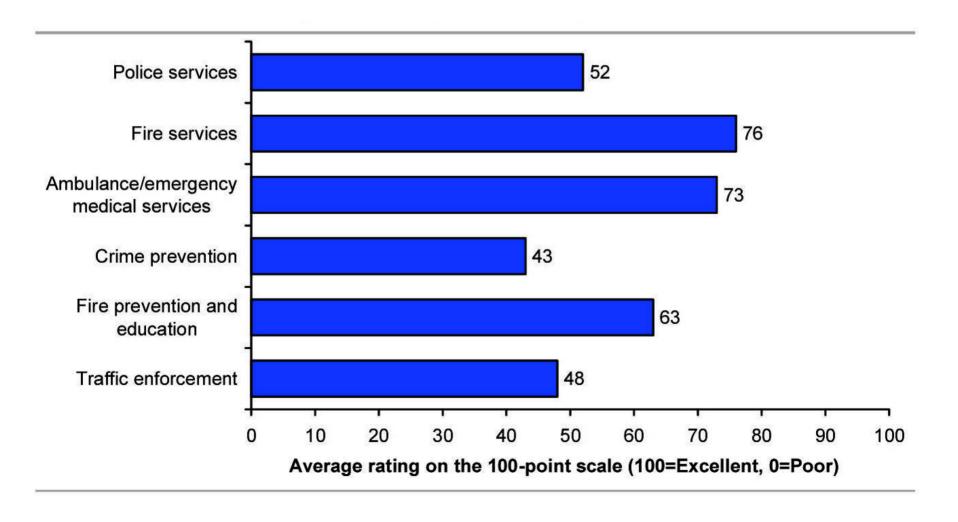


SERVICES PROVIDED BY SALINA OVERALL QUALITY

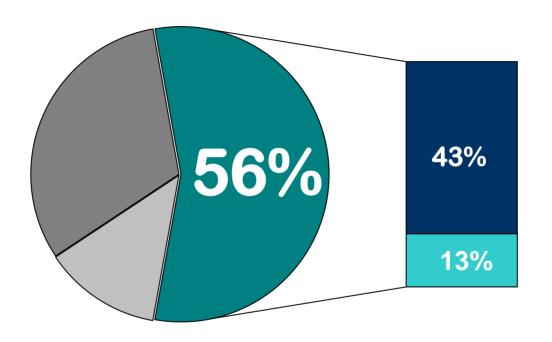




QUALITY OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES



Quality of Police Service





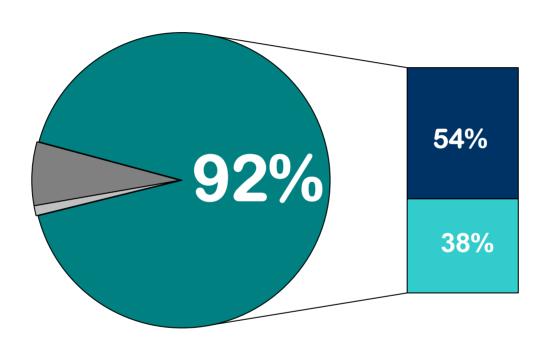


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Quality of Fire Service





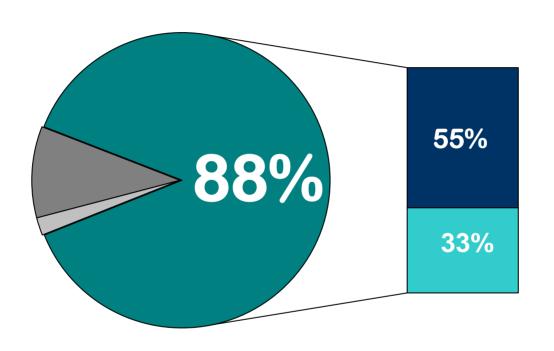


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Quality of EMS Service





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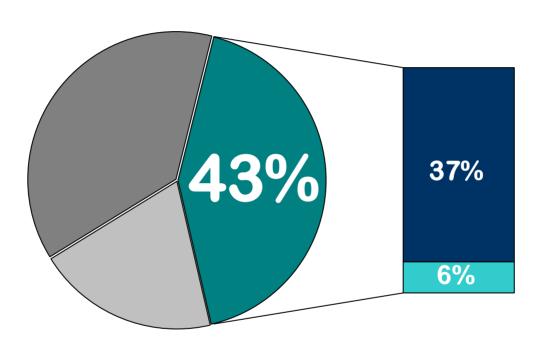
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Quality of Crime Prevention





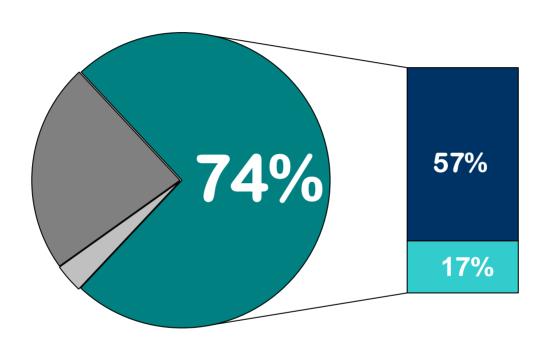


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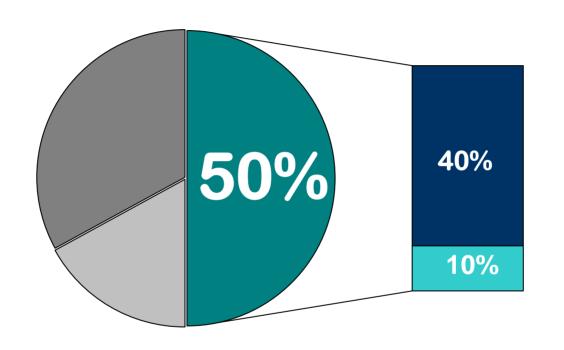
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Quality of Fire Prevention & Education





Quality of Traffic Enforcement





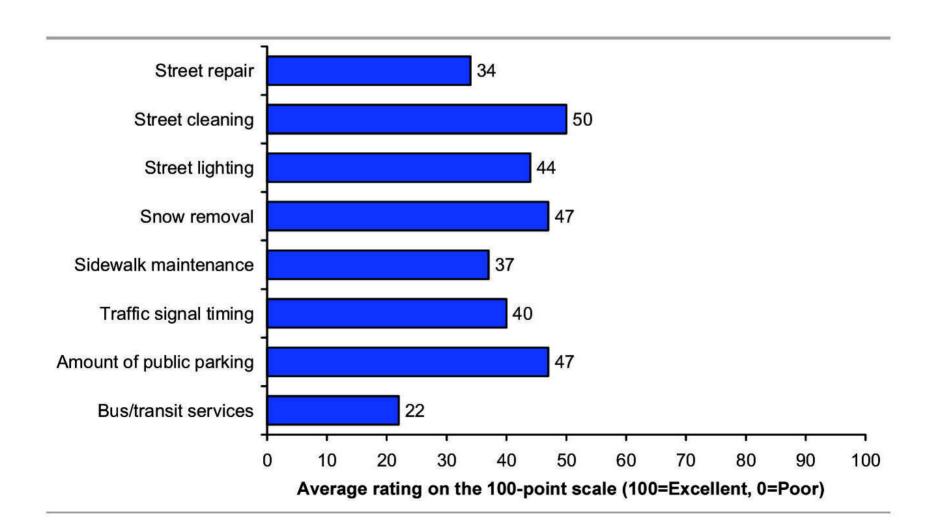


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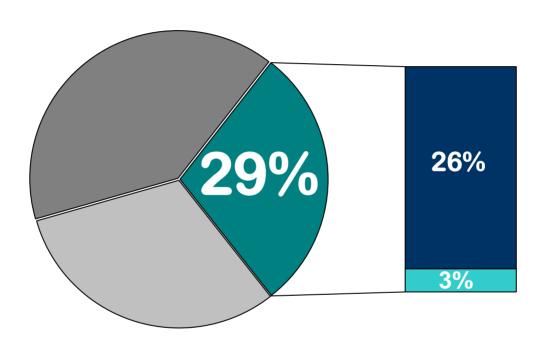
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QUALITY OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES



Quality of Street Repair





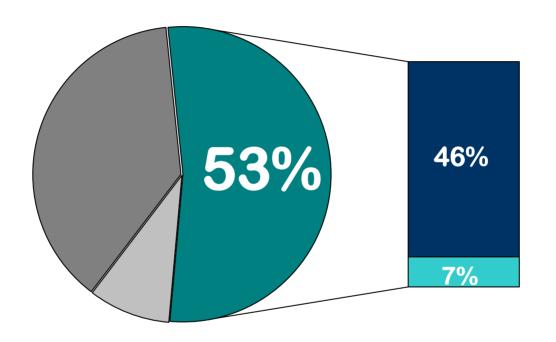


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Quality of Street Cleaning





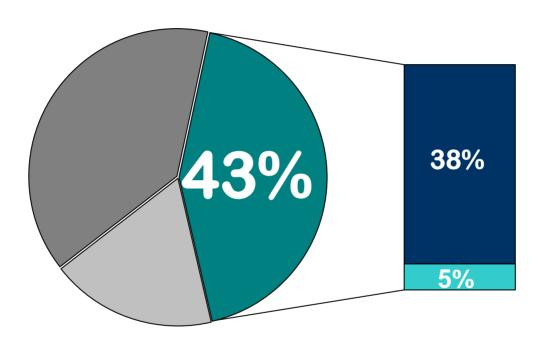


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Quality of Street Lighting





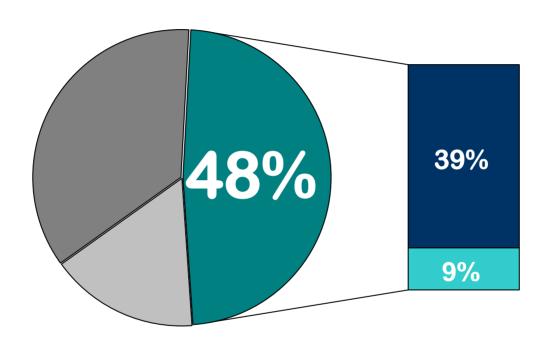


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Quality of Snow Removal







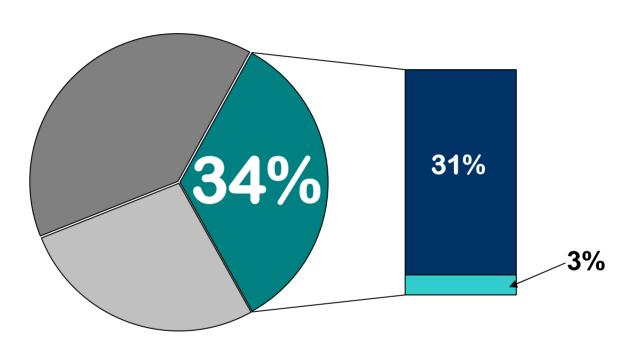


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Quality of Sidewalk Maintenance





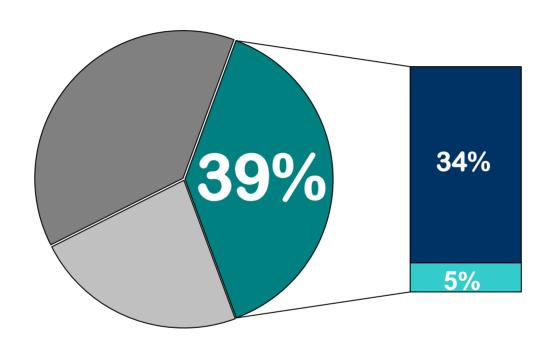


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Quality of Traffic Signal Timing





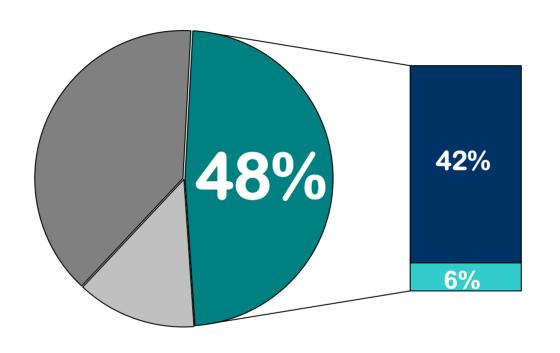


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Quality of Amount of Public Parking





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■ GOOD

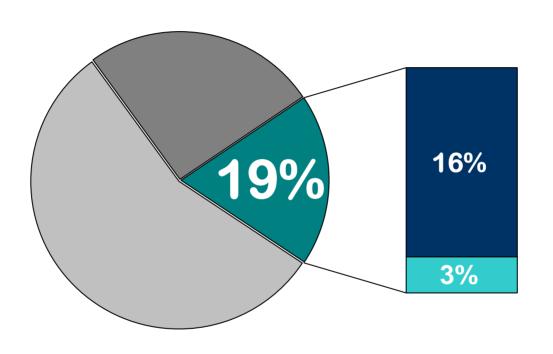
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Quality of Bus/Transit Services





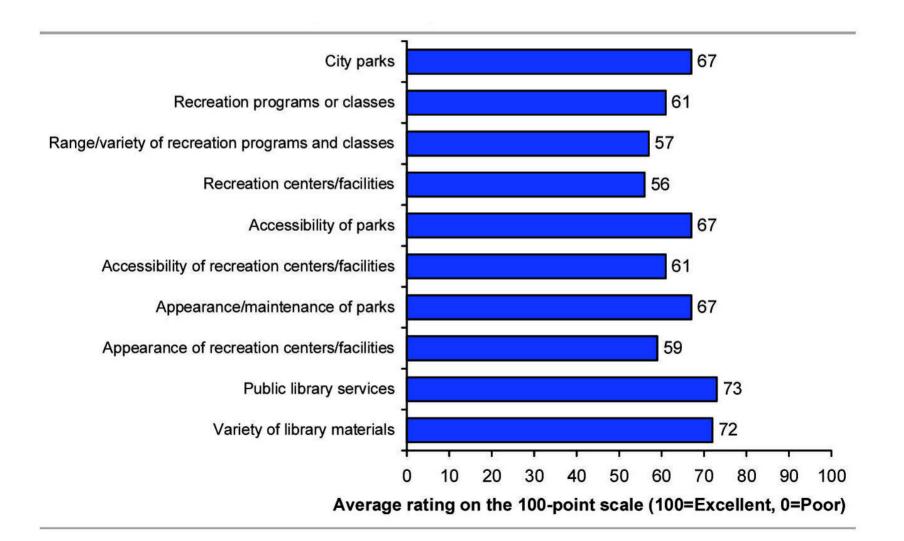


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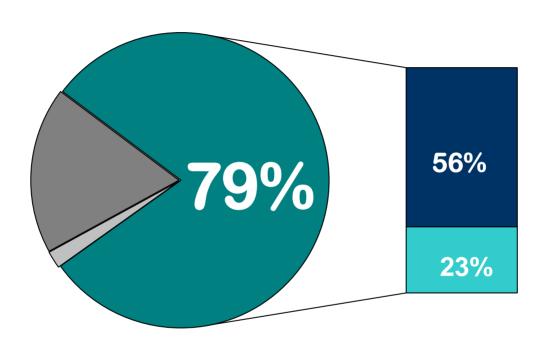
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QUALITY OF LEISURE SERVICES



Quality of City Parks





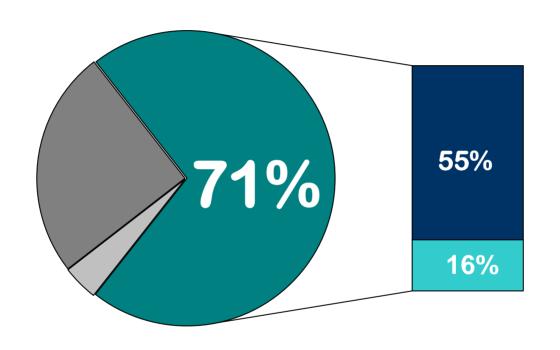


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Quality of Recreation Programs/Classes





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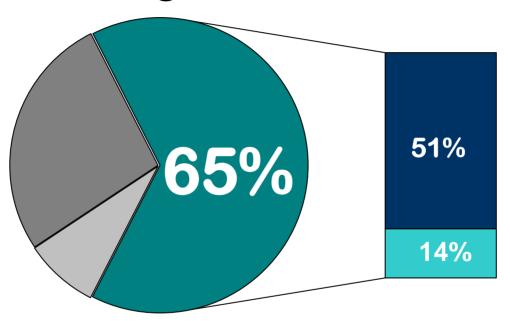
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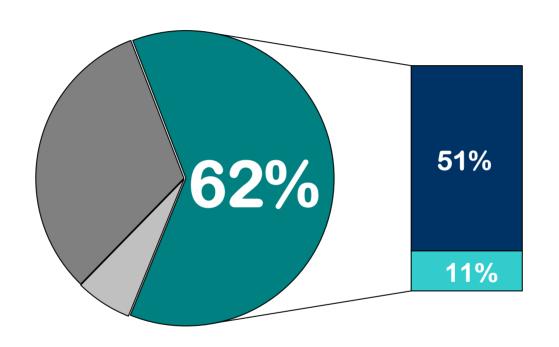
Quality of Range & Variety of Recreation

Programs/Classes





Quality of Recreation Facilities







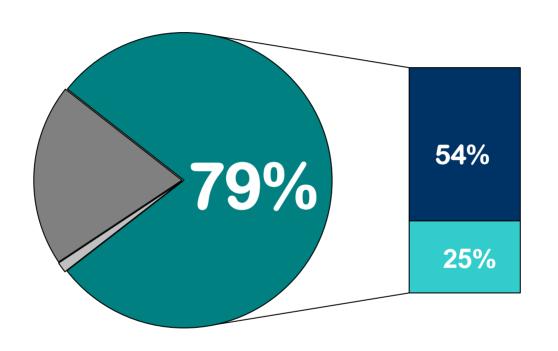


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Quality of Accessibility of Parks







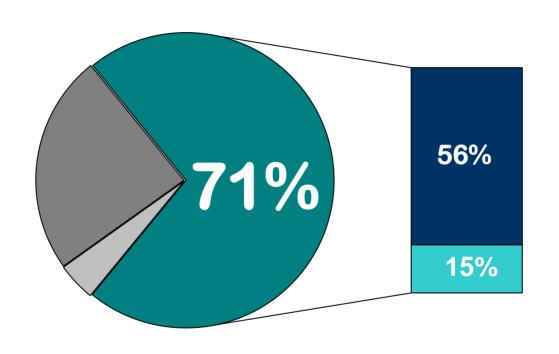


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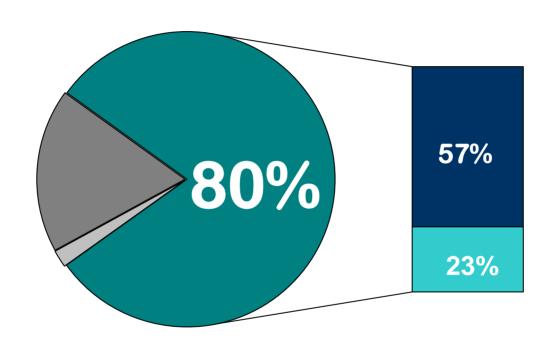
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Quality of Accessibility of Recreation Facilities



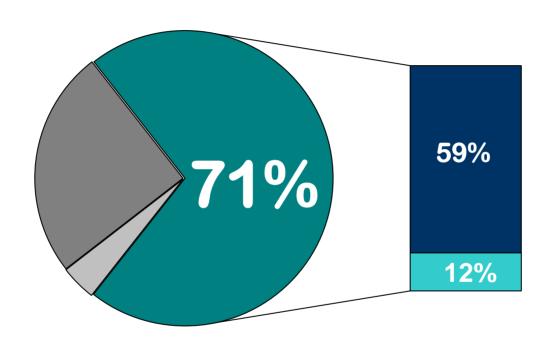


Quality of Appearance/Maintenance of Parks





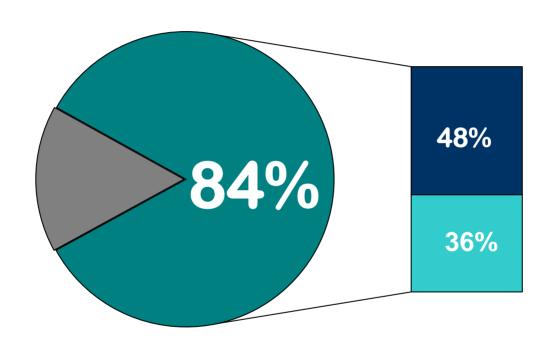
Quality of Appearance of Recreation Facilities





LEISURE SERVICES

Quality of Public Library Services





■ FAIR

■ GOOD

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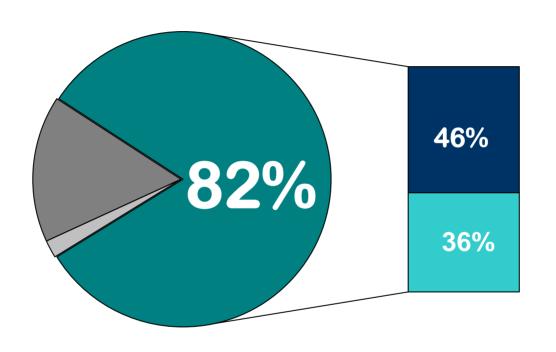
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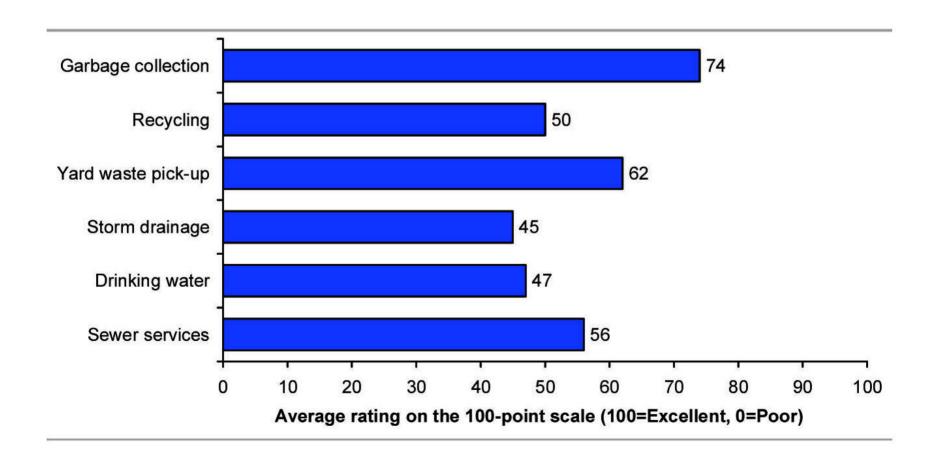
LEISURE SERVICES

Quality of Variety of Library Materials

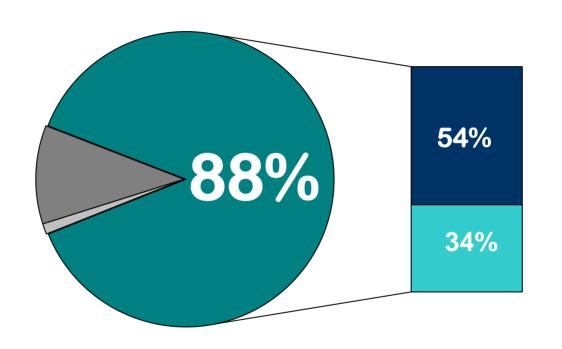




QUALITY OF UTILITY SERVICES

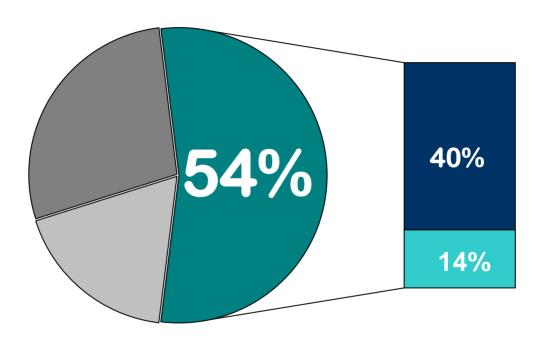


Quality of Garbage Collection





Quality of Recycling





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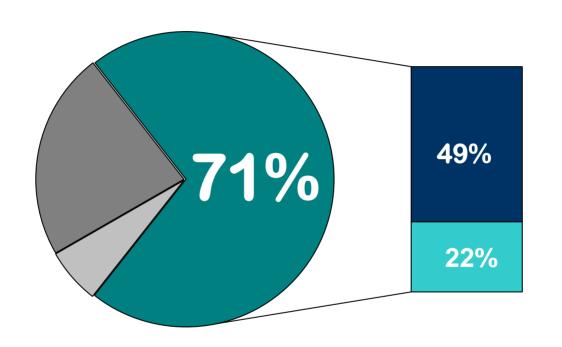
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Quality of Yard Waste Pick-up





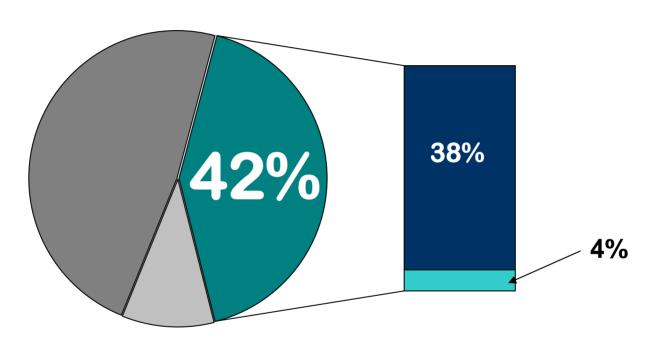


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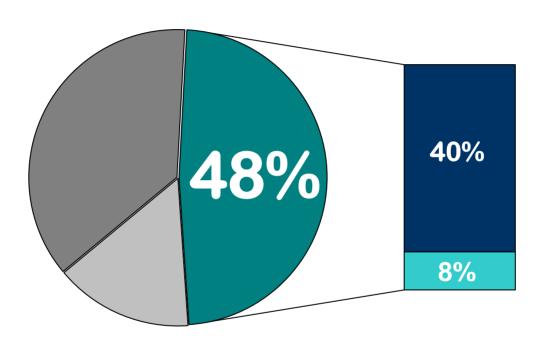
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Quality of Storm Drainage



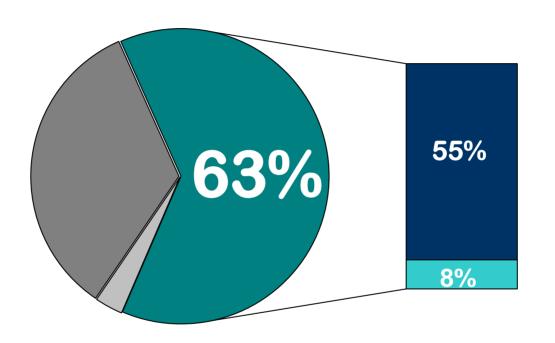


Quality of Drinking Water





Quality of Sewer Services





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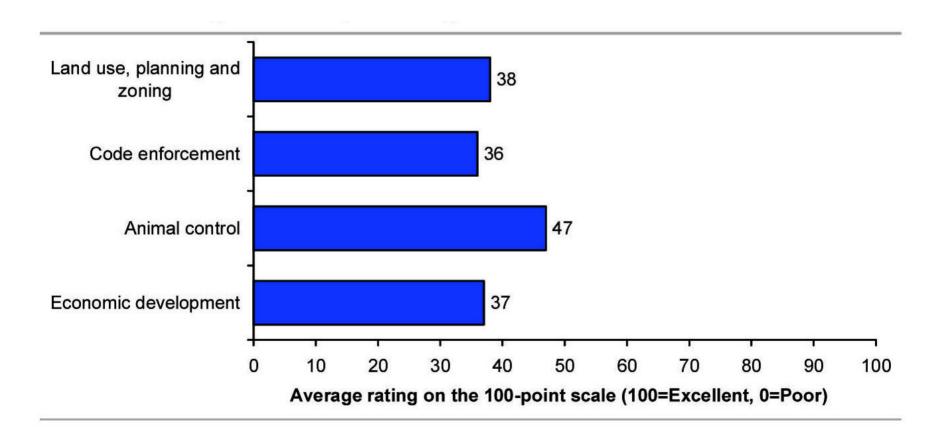
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QUALITY OF PLANNING & CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

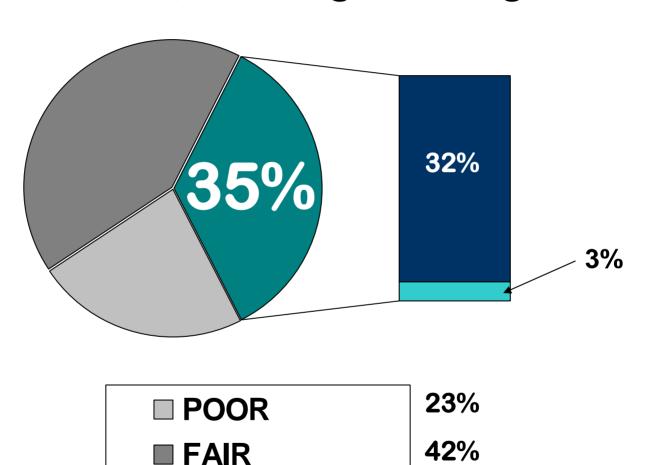


PLANNING & CODE ENFORCEMENT

Land Use, Planning & Zoning

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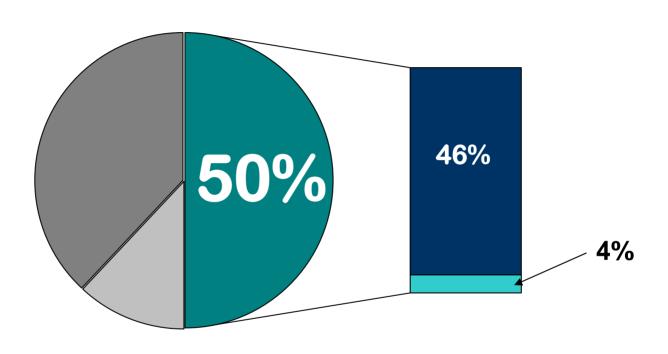
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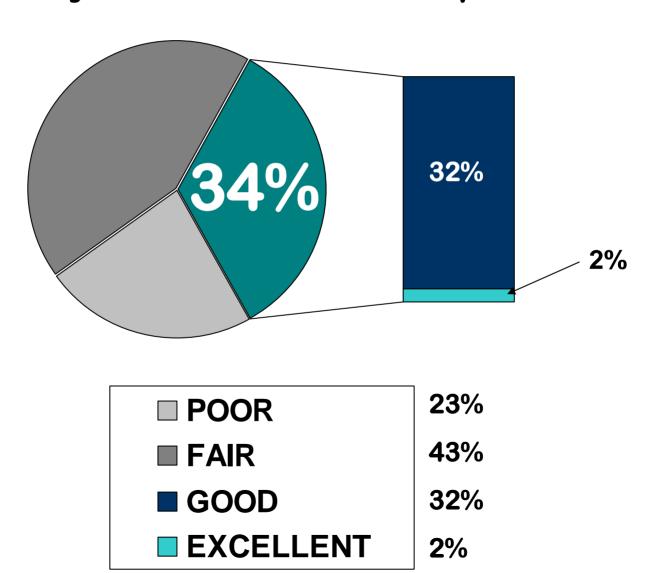
Quality of Animal Control



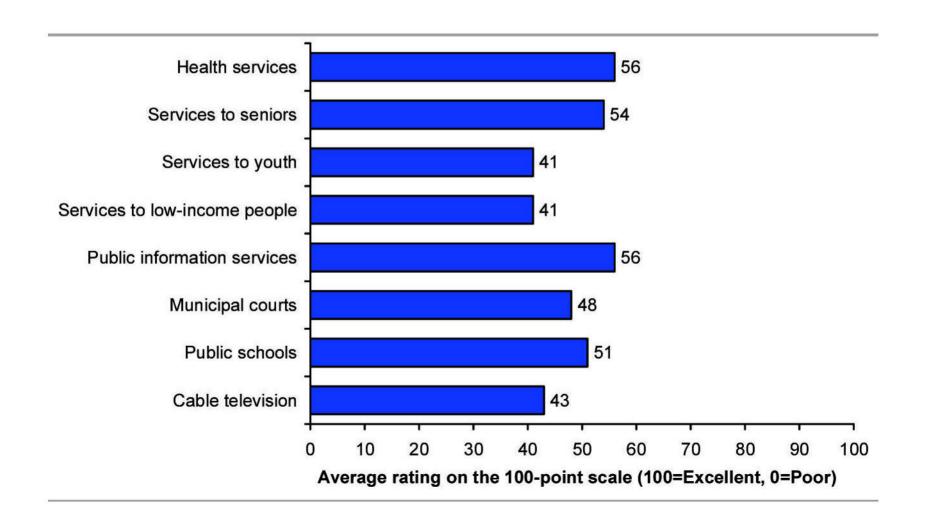


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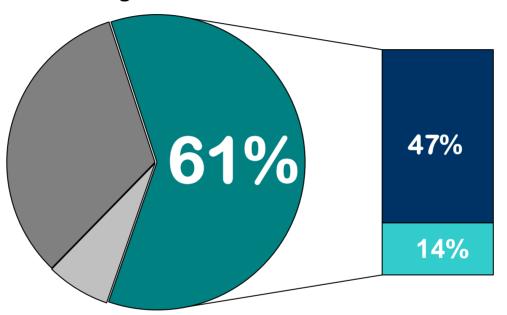
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QUALITY OF SERVICES TO SPECIAL POPULATIONS AND OTHER SERVICES

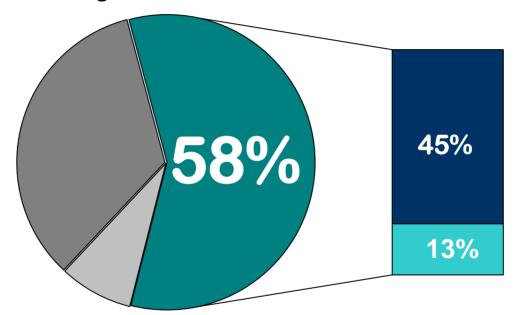


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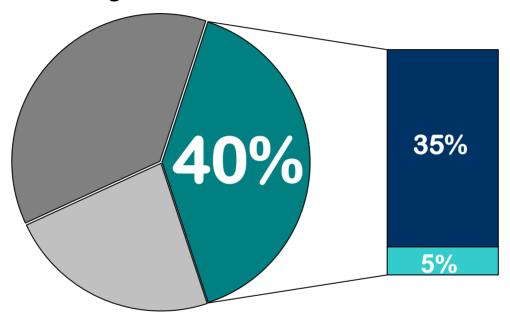


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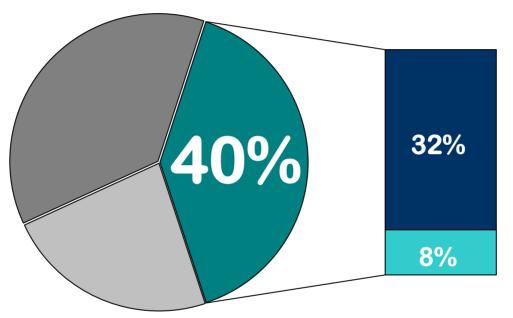


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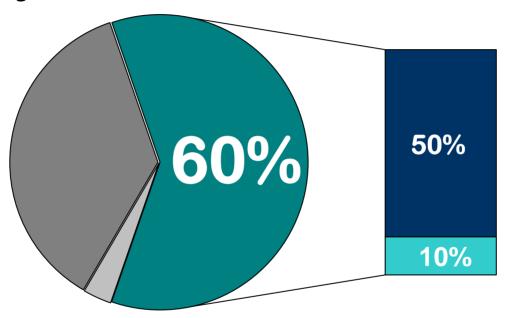


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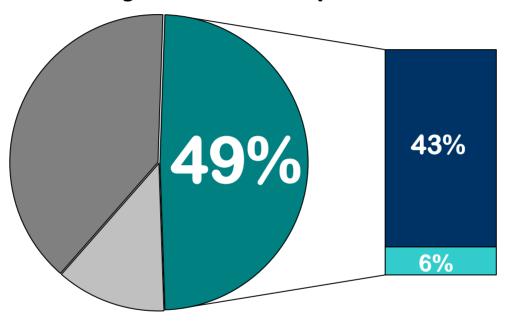


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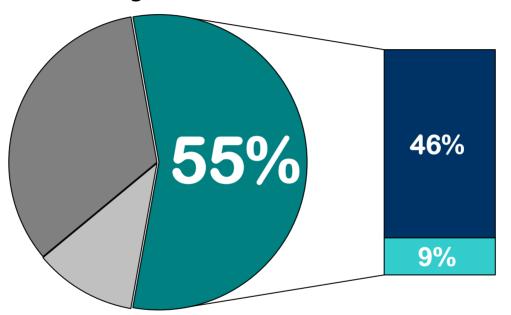


Quality of Municipal Court





Quality of Public Schools



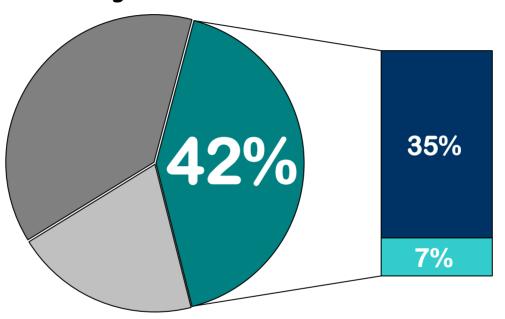


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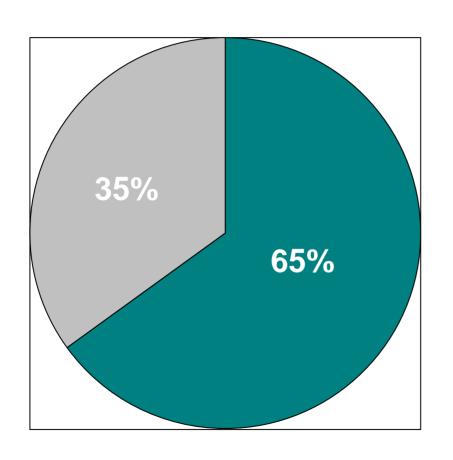
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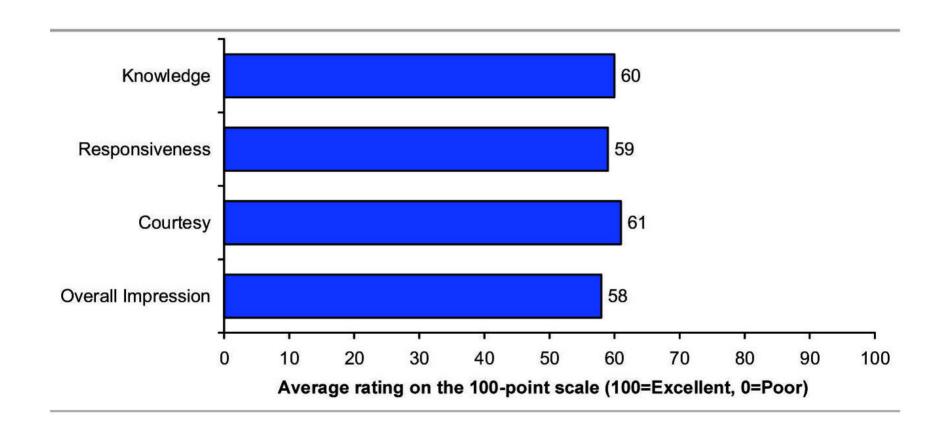


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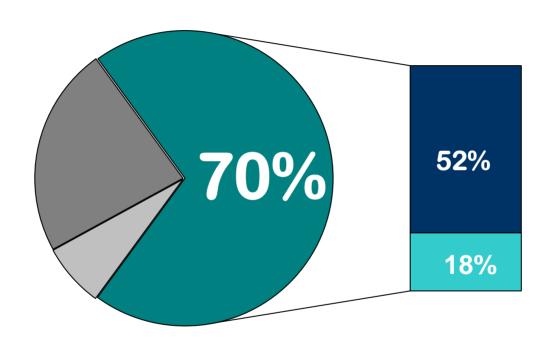




RATINGS OF CONTACT WITH CITY OF SALINA EMPLOYEES

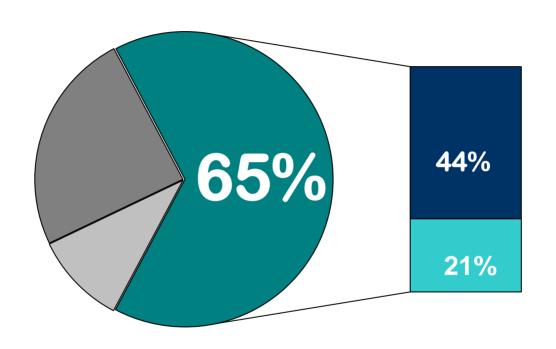


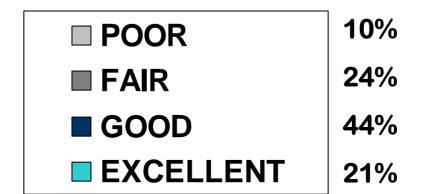
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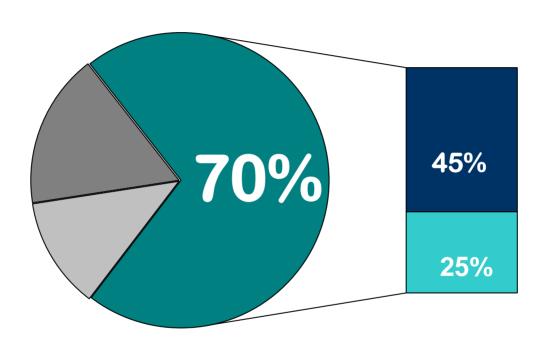


Responsiveness





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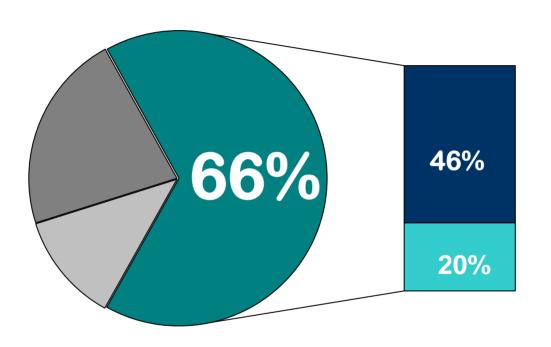
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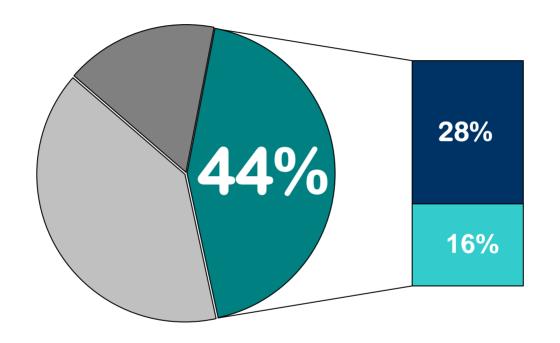
Overall Impression





POLICY QUESTION #1

To what degree would you support or oppose an increase in taxes to fund a community water park facility?







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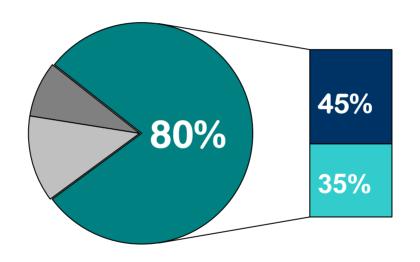
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POLICY QUESTION #2

To what degree would you support or oppose the consolidation of City and County government services to eliminate current service duplication?



- **STRONGLY OPPOSE**
- **SOMEWHAT OPPOSE**
- SOMEWHAT SUPPORT
- STRONGLY SUPPORT

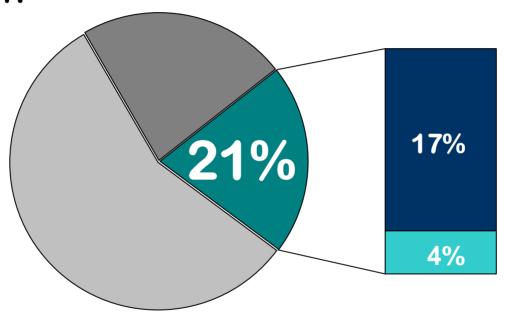
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POLICY QUESTION #3

To what degree would you support or oppose an increase in taxes to fund a new Saline County Expo Center built south of town?









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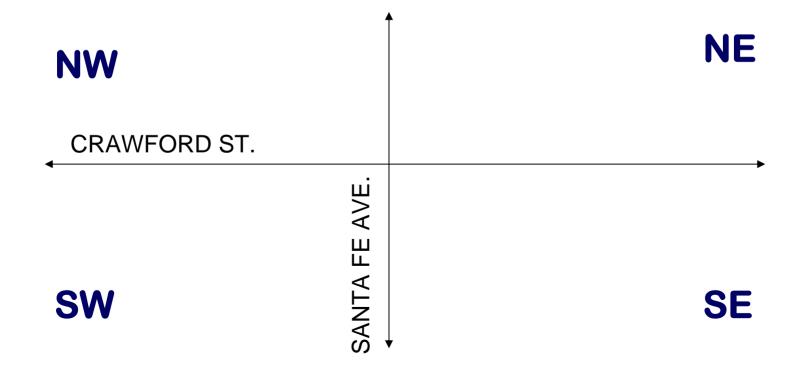
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GEOGRAPHIC SUBGROUPS

➤ The survey intends to determine if the participant comes from one of four quadrants of Salina



GEOGRAPHIC SUBGROUPS

- ➤ The responses indicated that overall participation seems to be somewhat higher in the SE and SW parts of town than the NE and NW
- ➤ The responses also indicated that overall satisfaction with most survey items is slightly higher in the NE and SE than the NW and SW

DEMOGRAPHIC SUBGROUPS

- ➤ GENDER mixed with no clear/consistent difference in responses
- > TIME LIVING IN SALINA mixed with no clear/consistent difference in responses
- ➤ AGE Significantly higher responses to most questions by older adults than younger adults

Overall, most response ratings are fairly average (close to a 50 rating), with some results that are significantly higher or lower than average.

Lower than Average Range

Job opportunities	Rating:	35
Economic development	Rating:	37
Access to affordable housing	Rating:	32
Access to affordable child care	Rating:	38
Ease of bicycle travel	Rating:	38
Street repair	Rating:	34
Sidewalk maintenance	Rating:	37
Bus/transit services	Rating:	22
Land-use planning	Rating:	38
Code enforcement	Rating:	36

Higher than Average Range

Fire service	Rating:	76
EMS service	Rating:	73
Fire prevention/education	Rating:	63
City parks	Rating:	67
Library services	Rating:	73
Garbage collection	Rating:	74

Public Safety Highlights

(responses much higher/lower than average)

Neighborhood is very or somewhat safe during the day	91%
Downtown is very or somewhat safe during the day	91%
Downtown is very or somewhat safe after dark	48%
Parks are very or somewhat safe after dark	28%

Community Participation Highlights

(responses much higher/lower than average)

Percent of Respondents Engaging in Various Activities in Salina at Least Once in Past Year

Visited a city park	86%
Read city newspaper	81%
Used internet	79 %
Used Salina Library	76 %
Attended public meeting	24%
Used internet to conduct business	36 %

End of Presentation